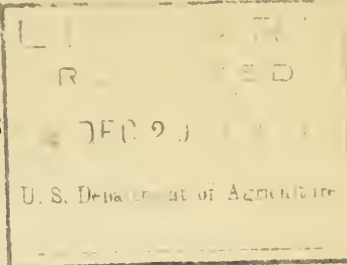


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THE BRITISH APPLE MARKET.

Prices paid for good condition American fruit on the Liverpool auction Wednesday, December 11, were little changed from last week, according to a cable to the Foreign Service of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics from Mr. F. A. Motz, fruit specialist of the United States Department of Agriculture in Europe. The demand for barreled apples was stronger, since, with the exception of Virginia Winesaps, barreled apples were in better condition, showed fewer slacks, and were of higher quality than those offered last week. Boxed apples were in generally good condition. Supplies of both boxed and barreled apples were light, especially boxed apples, which were slightly more than half of last week's supply.

Supplies of Canadian barreled apples were liberal, especially Nova Scotian; the stocks were about the same as American, but with a higher percentage of poor condition fruit. The price range for American barreled apples was from \$3.16 to \$7.06 per barrel with a few marks bringing \$6.81 to \$7.06, while Canadian fruit ranged from \$1.95 to \$7.06 per barrel, depending on the variety and condition of the fruit.

At London, American apple supplies were light and Canadian liberal. The demand was moderate for American fruit, U. S. Commercial  $2\frac{1}{4}$  inch Yorks making \$4.38 to \$4.87 per barrel. Extra fancy Washington Winesaps, 188/ smaller, sold at from \$2.19 to \$2.49 per box. These prices are considerably below those paid in Liverpool. Nova Scotian apples brought from \$1.95 to \$6.33 a barrel, depending on the condition and variety.

Prices paid at Glasgow were lower than on the Liverpool auction for both barreled and most boxed varieties. U. S. No. 1 Yorks  $2\frac{1}{4}$  inch brought around \$6.08; U. S. Commercial  $2\frac{1}{4}$  inch size, \$5.60 to \$6.81, and Virginia Winesaps, U. S. Commercial  $2\frac{1}{4}$  inch about \$5.47 per barrel at Glasgow, Wednesday. Stayman Winesaps of the same grade as the latter made the same price. Boxed Washington Winesaps, Extra fancy 150/163/175, sold at from \$2.68 to \$2.92; California Newtowns made \$3.41 to \$4.38.

According to the Empire Marketing Board heavy arrivals of peaches, plums, apricots and cherries are expected in the near future. Shipments of these fruits are said to be five times as heavy as during corresponding period last year.

## Price paid for American fruit on the Liverpool auction

| Variety, Grade and Origin                       | Price        |           |           |
|---|--------------|-----------|-----------|
|   | 1928         | 1929      |           |
|   | Dec 12       | Dec 4     | Dec 11    |
|   | Dollars      | Dollars   | Dollars   |
| <u>APPLES</u> <u>BARRELS</u>                    |              |           |           |
| York Imperial, Virginia:                        |              |           |           |
| U.S. No. 1, 2 inch, min.....                    | ---          | ---       | 4.87-5.11 |
| U.S. No. 1, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch, " .....       | 6.81-7.66    | 5.84-6.33 | 5.84-6.45 |
| U.S. No. 1, 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ inch, " .....       | ---          | ---       | 6.06-6.57 |
| U.S. No. 2, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch, " .....       | ---          | ---       | 4.50-5.11 |
| U.S. Commercial, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch, min..... | ---          | 5.84-6.33 | 5.84-6.33 |
| Unclassified, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch, min.....    | ---          | 5.11-5.60 | 4.38-4.67 |
| Unclassified, 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ inch, " .....     | ---          | ---       | 4.36-4.97 |
| Ben Davis, Virginia:                            |              |           |           |
| U.S. No. 2, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch, min.....      | ---          | ---       | 5.96-6.20 |
| Winesap, Virginia:                              |              |           |           |
| U.S. No. 1, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch, " .....       | ---          | ---       | 5.72-6.20 |
| Rome Beauty, Virginia:                          |              |           |           |
| U.S. No. 1, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch, min.....      | ---          | ---       | 6.20-6.63 |
| U.S. No. 1, 2 inch, " .....                     | ---          | ---       | 5.60      |
| <u>BOXES</u>                                    |              |           |           |
| Winesap, Washington:                            |              |           |           |
| Extra fancy, 150/163/175.....                   | ---          | ---       | 2.92-3.41 |
| Extra fancy, 188/smaller.....                   | ---          | ---       | 2.55-2.74 |
| Newtown, Washington:                            |              |           |           |
| Extra fancy, 150/163/175.....                   | ---          | ---       | 4.20-4.32 |
| Extra fancy, 188/smaller.....                   | ---          | ---       | 3.65-4.01 |
| Rome Beauty:                                    |              |           |           |
| Extra fancy, 150/163/175.....                   | ---          | 2.80-2.96 | 2.68      |
| Extra fancy, 188/smaller.....                   | ---          | ---       | 2.55      |
| Fancy, 150/163/175 .....                        | ---          | 2.55-2.68 | 2.55-2.63 |
| Fancy, 188/smaller.....                         | ---          | 2.37      | 2.31-2.43 |
| Delicious, Washington:                          |              |           |           |
| Fancy, 150/163/175.....                         | a/ 2.74-2.92 | 3.16-3.28 | 3.16-3.41 |
| Fancy, 188/smaller.....                         | a/ 2.68      | 2.62-2.80 | 2.74-3.04 |
| Winter Banana, Washington:                      |              |           |           |
| Extra Fancy, 150/163/175.....                   | ---          | ---       | 2.98      |
| Extra fancy, 188/smaller.....                   | ---          | ---       | 2.07-2.37 |
| Winesap, Oregon:                                |              |           |           |
| Extra fancy, 150/163/175.....                   | ---          | ---       | 2.92-3.53 |
| Extra fancy, 188/smaller.....                   | ---          | ---       | 2.55-2.74 |
| <u>PEARS</u> <u>BOXES</u>                       |              |           |           |
| Comice, Oregon.....                             | ---          | ---       | 3.41-4.14 |
| Winter Nalis, Washington.....                   | 3.89-4.14    | 3.16-3.83 | 3.41      |
| Anjou, California.....                          | ---          | 4.01-4.62 | 3.65-4.14 |
| Keiffer, Colorado b/.....                       | ---          | 3.04-3.10 | 2.80-3.04 |

Note: All quotations for good condition fruit unless otherwise noted.

a/ Oregon. b/ District quoted otherwise.